GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS
LOK SABHA

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Hazardous Chemicals
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Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS be pleased to state:

Will the Minister of Chemicals & Fertilizers be pleased to state:-

(a)The details of the Hazardous Liquid Chemicals being regularly imported into the country in terms of volume/quantity, Storage capacity, and environmental clearance Notifications, Recommended Inventories, Storage costs etc;
(b)The policy/plans for exploiting and using the Indian water Resources/sea waters for storage of Hazardous Liquid Chemicals in floating tanks at off-shores
(c)The storage capacity envisaged and storage costs estimated from floating tanks at off-shores in (K/L and M/T)
(d) The Detailed Project Report (DPR) in respect of Technical Feasibility and economic liability for the proposed floating tanks at off-shores; and
(e) The details of the joint ventures being considered with MNCs, the Inter Ministerial Committee, Government of India at the off-shores?

Answer

ANSWER
MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS, SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (SHRI MANSUKH L. MANDAVIYA)
(a) The Government of India has promulgated "Manufacture, Storage and Import of Hazardous Chemicals (MSIHC) Rules, 1989" under the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986, which are administered by the Ministry of Environment, Forest & Climate Change. According to these Rules, any person responsible for importing hazardous chemicals in India is to provide the data of import to the concerned authorities, as identified in Column 2 of Schedule 5 to the Rules. As per available information, in 2006-2007, 423939MT of 90 categories of hazardous chemicals were imported by 63 industries through 08 seaports. Whereas, in 2007-08, 325396MT of 117 categories of hazardous chemicals were imported by 82 industries through 12 seaports and 2 airports. India's import under ITC (HS) Code Chapter 28 (inorganic chemicals) and 29 (organic chemicals) (at 4 digit level) for the last three years and 2016-17 (from April to September) is placed at Annex. I.
(b) to (e) :The major ports do not have any proposal for storage of hazardous Liquid Chemicals in floating tanks at offshore. .

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